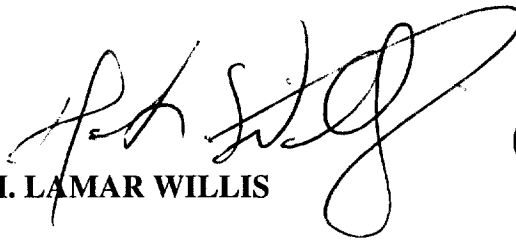


A RESOLUTION
BY COUNCILMEMBER H. LAMAR WILLIS



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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSEMBLY OF A TASKFORCE TO IDENTIFY CHALLENGES OF THE BUILDING PERMIT PROCESS OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE AND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS AIMED AT STREAMLINING DELIVERY OF ALL TYPES OF PERMITS ISSUED.

WHEREAS, economic development is of paramount importance in maintaining a successful City in which companies choose to do business and people choose to live; and,

WHEREAS, a successful economic development effort hinges on both the support and facilitation of commercial and residential construction; and,

WHEREAS, other steps, currently being undertaken, aimed at vamping up the City's economic development efforts may not succeed if the City's internal processes are not operating efficiently; and,

WHEREAS, in addressing this issue, changes may need to be made not only to the administrative operations, but to the Atlanta City Code; and,

WHEREAS, changes to the Atlanta City Code require the Council's involvement; and,

WHEREAS, a holistic approach should be taken in making any changes to the issuance procedures for building permits and those impacted most directly should be involved in the process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that both the Mayor, Council President, Council and organizations designated in this legislation be authorized to assemble a taskforce with the objective of making administrative and policy recommendations aimed at streamlining the delivery of all types of building permits issued by the City to achieve the goal of making it easier to secure a building permit while at the same time strengthening the economic development efforts of the City of Atlanta.

SECTION 1: That this new taskforce be designated as the "Building Permit Taskforce."

SECTION 2: That the "Building Permit Taskforce" shall consist of no more than 21 participating members.

SECTION 3: That the "Building Permit Taskforce" makes both legislative recommendations to the Atlanta City Council as well as procedural and operational recommendations to City departments involved in the building permitting process.

SECTION 4: That the “Building Permit Taskforce” shall consist of the following members:

- One representative selected by the Mayor
- One representative selected by the Council President
- Commissioner of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee
- Atlanta Fire Department Chief or his designee
- Commissioner of the Department of Watershed or his/her designee
- Commissioner of the Department of Public Works or his/her designee
- Commissioner of the Department of Finance or his/her designee
- Commissioner of the Department of Planning or his/her designee
- Commissioner of the Department of Planning’s Designee from the Bureau of Buildings
- Commissioner of the Department of Planning’s Designee from the Bureau of Housing
- A representative of the Board of Zoning Adjustments
- Executive Director of the Urban Design Commission or his/her designee
- Two citizen representatives selected by the President of the Atlanta Planning and Advisory Board (APAB)
- A representative of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce
- Executive Director of the Atlanta Development Authority or his/her designee
- A large scale residential developer (as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration to have revenue >\$28.5 million) to be selected by Councilmember H. Lamar Willis
- A small scale residential developer (as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration to have revenue <\$28.5 million) to be selected by Councilmember H. Lamar Willis
- A large scale commercial developer (as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration to have revenue >\$28.5 million) to be selected by Councilmember H. Lamar Willis
- A small scale commercial developer (as defined by the U.S. Small Business Administration to have revenue <\$28.5 million) to be selected by Councilmember H. Lamar Willis
- A representative of the Atlanta City Council’s Community Development and Human Resources Committee appointed by the Chair of the Committee

SECTION 6: That representatives must be selected and confirmed within thirty days (30 days) of this legislation becoming enacted and any appointments remaining unfilled be discontinued and work of the taskforce will proceed without these appointments.

SECTION 7: That the work of the taskforce commence thirty days after enactment of this legislation and be completed in no more than sixty (60) days.

SECTION 8: That the work product of this taskforce be documented in a final report to be issued no more than thirty days (30) after its last meeting and delivered to the Mayor's office.

SECTION 9: That this final report shall include legislative and administrative recommendations, minutes of all meetings and a listing of all participants.

SECTION 10: That the Mayor's office review the final report within sixty (60) days and provide to members of the taskforce an analysis of all recommendations to be implemented, including a timeline for such implementation.

SECTION 11: That the Mayor is authorized to accept the donation of any services on behalf of and for the benefit implementation of any recommendations put forward by this taskforce, and that the City shall incur no liability for the acceptance of such pro bono services.

SECTION 12: That all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded.

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